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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4315

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TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: DEATH OF FSO PETER J. PETERSON

REF: STATE 047214

PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO MRS. PETER J. PETERSON: QUOTE: ELIZA AND I, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE EMBASSY STAFF WHO KNEW HIM, VERY SADDENED TO LEARN OF PETE'S SUDDEN DEATH. IN ADDITION TO HIS FINE WORK AS DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION, PETE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP AS CHARGE, FOR HIS ABUNDANT ENERGY AND GOOD CHEER AND FOR THE WARM FRIENDSHIPS HE MADE WITH SO MANY CEYLONSE. YOU HAVE THE DEEPEST CONDOLENCES FROM ALL OF US AT THIS TIME OF SADNESS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. CHRISTOPHER VAN HOLLEN, AMERICAN AMBASSADOR, COLOMBO. END QUOTE.  
VAN HOLLEN

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